

# RMTEC Mission Statement

Empower the American Indian Tribes in the development of Public Health Services and Systems and Epidemiological data in order for tribes to have the authority and resources to respond to Public Health concerns.









# **Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council**

### Rocky Mountain Tribal Epidemiology Center

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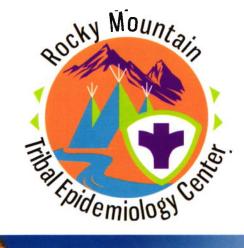
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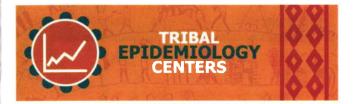
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RMTEC, a division of the Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council, (TLC) serves:

- 10 Tribes on 8 reservations in Montana and Wyoming and 1 in Idaho
- American Indian population of more than 75,000
- Community Based Participatory Research approach
- Tribal Leader's Committee on Health
- 10 Tribal Health Directors (2 in Wyoming and 8 in Montana including Little Shell Tribe of Montana)
- RMTLC/RMTEC stakeholders present or report Community Health Priorities for intervention and project development.

# **Program Overview**

- Injury Prevention
- Tribal Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance System
- Behavioral Health Evaluation Support Team
- Child Health Measures
- Community Health Profile



# **Epidemiology Overview:**

Epidemiology is the study of the origin and causes of diseases in a community. It is scientific method of investigation problem-solving used by disease detective—epidemiologists, laboratory scientists, statisticians, physicians and other health care providers, and public health professionals—to get to the root of health problems and outbreaks in a community

(http://www.cdc.gov/24-7/pdf/epidemiology-factsheet.pdf)



# How does RMTEC work with tribes?

RMTEC Public Health Authority respects the tribes sovereign nations and defers to Tribal decisions.

- Resources
- Guidance
- Facilitates all Public Health Activities in Montana and Wyoming Tribes.

### Our values:

- Transparency
- Capacity Development
- Accountability
- Collaboration



# Providing Reliable Data and Technical Assistance



